MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(22)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

December 6, 2005

FROM:

Murray A. Greenberg

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution relating to

waiving deductible on crop damage claims arising from

Hurricane Wilma

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Katy Sorenson.

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Pleas	e note any items checked.
	"4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
	4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
	Budget required
	Statement of fiscal impact required
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
	No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 11(A)(22)
Veto		12-6-05
Override		
R	ESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION URGING WAIVER OF DEDUCTIBLE UNDER FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR THOSE GROWERS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY WHO HAVE PAID THEIR DEDUCTIBLE FOR CLAIMS ARISING OUT OF HURRICANE KATRINA IN AUGUST 2005, AND NOW MUST PAY AN ADDITIONAL DEDUCTIBLE FOR CLAIMS ARISING OUT OF HURRICANE WILMA IN OCTOBER 2005 AND DIRECTING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD TO PROVIDE COPIES HEREOF TO FLORIDA'S TWO U. S. SENATORS AND TO THOSE U.S. REPRESENTATIVES WHO REPRESENT ANY PORTION OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Hurricane Katrina caused extensive crop damage to growers in south Miami-Dade County in August 2005; and

WHEREAS, growers suffering crop damage from Hurricane Katrina were required to pay a deductible of \$40,000 for claims made under the Federal Crop Insurance Program; and

WHEREAS, the terms of crop damage policies written under the current Federal Crop Insurance Program commence on October 1, 2005 and end on May 31, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Wilma struck Miami-Dade County on October 24, 2005 causing additional crop damage; and

WHEREAS, growers who paid the deductible on claims for crop damage arising out of Hurricane Katrina, must pay an additional deductible two and one-half months later on claims for crop damage arising out of Hurricane Wilma,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

<u>Section 1</u>. Urges Congress to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Program to waive the deductible on crop damage claims made by those growers in Miami-Dade County who have

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paid their deductible for claims arising out of Hurricane Katrina in August 2005, and now must pay an additional deductible for claims arising out of Hurricane Wilma in October 2005.

Section 2. The Clerk of the Board is directed to send copies of this resolution to the Miami-Dade County Congressional Delegation and to both U.S. Senators for the State of Florida.

Section 3. This Board directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the passage of the legislation set forth in Section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2006 Federal Legislative Package.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Katy Sorenson and offered by

Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by

Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro

Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Carlos A. Gimenez

Sally A. Heyman

Barbara J. Jordan

Dorrin D. Rolle

Natacha Seijas

Katy Sorenson

Rebeca Sosa

Sen. Javier D. Souto

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6^{th} day of December, 2005. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.



By: Deputy Clerk

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.